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PEOPLE KEEP FAITH AND TONGUE

Thomas Davis and Gerald Griffin made the Cladagh boatmen famous in song, but it has remained for Jane Martyn, who writes in prose, but whose prose breathes poetry in every line, to let us know in America something more about the lives and habits of these Galway fisherfolk. This gifted writer says in part:

The celebrated fishing village of Cladagh is situated about a quarter of a mile to the west of Galway. It is supposed to have been the landing place of the first settlers in "ye ancient Clite of the Tribes." At the first glance it would seem to answer Gerald Griffin's description of the town, "a shower of houses," but it is soon discovered that order and peace exist in what appeared "confusion worse confounded." There are innumerable little streets and squares, with alleys leading in all directions; hundreds of

tiny thatched houses, while in and out and round about the cottage homes is spread a carpet of delicate short grass of the softest green, refreshing the eyes of the poor fishermen, who often for days see nothing but the charging billows of the sea around them.

Passing through the tiny streets may be seen many a loving face and graceful form that might well pose as a model for the sculptor. Everywhere around are traces of the sea-faring occupation of the villagers; piles of nets heaped up at the doorways; fish baskets, or "creels" as they are called, hanging against the walls; the long grappling poles thrust into the rafters. Here we see old men engaged in making or mending the beautifully regular network which would not disgrace a lady's hand. There a group of fishermen standing in earnest consultation over some curiously shaped piece of white canvas stretched upon the ground, in which, when piece after piece has been added and dovetailed, we begin to see the sail of a large fishing boat forming under these horny fingers roughened and browned with honest toil.

This strong people lived for centuries under the rule of an elective monarchy. The will of the King of the Cladagh boatmen was law within the boundary of his realm. He regulated the community according to its own peculiar laws and customs. He neither taxed nor oppressed his subjects.

A beautiful ceremony takes place every year in this strange community which recalls the wedding of the Adriatic. It is the blessing of the Ba, without which the Cladagh fishers never venture to commence the business of the year. And now "while the spouseless Adriatic mourns her lord" we may behold a ceremonial in the blue waters of Galway bay, not indeed so splendid, but one which the simple faith of these poor fishermen makes sublime. They seem of the same race as those who cast their nets in the Sea of Galilee as they

reverently follow, not the gondola with its proud banner bearing the lion of St. Mark, but the lowly hooker, having on board the white-robed Dominican, with book and stole, who leads the way to the fishing grounds and prays for a plentiful harvest for those patient toilers of the sea.

The Cladagh people are rather exclusive in their village life. They resent the intrusion of strangers in their midst—"foreigners" as they call them—from Connemara or elsewhere. They intermarry among themselves, using a wedding ring which is quite unique. It is carved, with two hands clasped and surmounted by a heart. This ring with the grand old Spanish rosary and the scarlet cloak used in past times to be handed down as heirlooms, but each of these is getting rare in Cladagh, probably carried away by families emigrating to America.

They keep the ancient faith and speak the ancient tongue once spoken by peer as well as peasant in Ireland, which for centuries has lain "not dead but sleeping," but is now beginning to revive, and assuredly, by comparing it with other languages, we must admit that:

IRISH REPARTEE.

A young Irish lady one day entered a railway carriage where three Englishmen were seated. When the train had started, and was about half a mile out of the station, the three travelers began talking about the Irish, when one of them was heard to say: "Why, the Irish sleep with the pigs."

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